

Col. Mills and Lt. Col. Pellicci Win Army Honors

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At the 2004 Army Acquisition Corps Annual Awards Ceremony, held on October 24, 2004, both Lt. Col. Jack Pellicci Jr. and Col. Ainsworth B. (Andy) Mills of Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) received awards for their outstanding contributions to the acquisition community.

The award ceremony was held at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, Va., to honor the accomplishments of the acquisition workforce's most extraordinary members and the teams they lead. The ceremony's theme, "Celebrating Our Acquisition Stars," was a fitting tribute to the uniformed and civilian professionals who work tirelessly behind the scenes in support of global combat missions. Maj. Gen. Darryl A. Scott, DCMA director, was among the dignitaries on stage.



Lt. Col. Pellicci, DCMA New York commander, was a winner of the 2004 Acquisition Commander of the Year award at the Lt. Col./GS-14 level. His command is directly responsible for all aspects of life-cycle support services to more than 200 Department of Defense (DoD) contractors with 2,500 contracts valued in excess of \$2.2 billion. Lt.

Col. Pellicci also deploys and leads military and civilian teams to manage Logistics Civil Augmentation Program (LOGCAP) support worldwide during contingency operations. Lt. Col. Pellicci has restructured his command into a more streamlined organization, focusing greater efforts and resources on improving customer satisfaction and response time. In addition, he has skillfully cross-trained and positioned the majority of his workforce into more direct customer support roles.

In his acceptance speech, Lt. Col. Pellicci was sincere and concise. He simply stated that he stood on the stage "humbled and proud" of his award, which he then accepted "on behalf of the 11,000 people at DCMA."

Shortly thereafter, Col. Mills received an award for 2004 Acquisition Commander of the Year at the Col./GS-15 level. Col. Mills recently returned to his position as commander, DCMA Philadelphia, which he has held since July 2003, after serving as commander, DCMA Iraq from April - October of 2004.

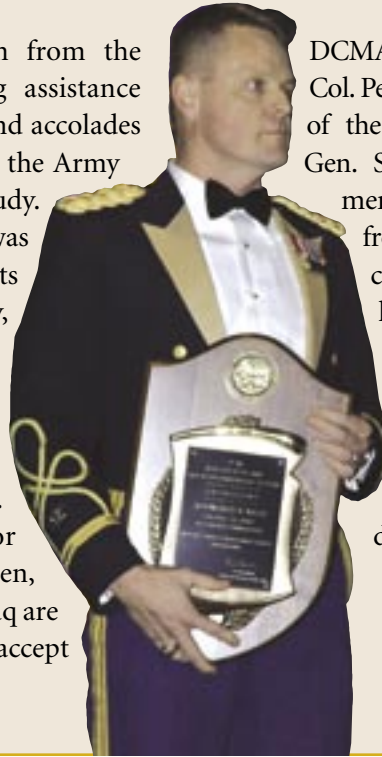
His command in Philadelphia includes 346 civilian and military acquisition professionals responsible for managing combat system acquisition cost, on-time delivery and technical performance of major end items on more than 16,000 contracts valued at nearly \$10 billion. As a result of his leadership, DCMA

(Above) The 2004 Army Acquisition Corps award winners with dignitaries, including the Honorable Claude M. Bolton Jr., assistant secretary of the Army for AL&T, and Maj. Gen. Scott, DCMA director.

(Left) Lt. Col. Pellicci with his award for Acquisition Commander of the Year.

Philadelphia received recognition from the secretary of Defense for pricing assistance under the Oil for Food program and accolades for work performed in support of the Army Transformation Industrial Base Study. While deployed in Iraq, Col. Mills was responsible for overseeing contracts for base camp operations, security, linguistics, the rebuilding of the oil infrastructure and the Iraqi Broadcasting System.

Upon receiving his award, Col. Mills thanked the committee for the honor and then stated, "The men, women, military and civilians in Iraq are doing an outstanding job, and I accept this on their behalf."



DCMA is honored to have both Lt. Col. Pellicci and Col. Mills as members of the DCMA community. As Maj. Gen. Scott commented, "These two men were selected for awards from a group of outstanding candidates. Their contributions have increased DCMA's position as the 'indispensable partner' to our customers and bolstered our mission to provide combat support for today's soldiers. Their initiatives are making a difference, every day."

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The Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) is currently hiring experienced contracting and acquisition professionals for approximately 200 permanent emergency-essential (E-E) positions. These positions

are located at DCMA contract management offices throughout the continental U.S. and all require periodic deployment overseas. Available positions include quality assurance specialists, administrative contracting officers, property administrators and industrial specialists.

A unique experience

DCMA employees in E-E positions have the opportunity to provide a unique service to our country through challenging assignments that further sharpen their critical thinking and decision-making skills.

(Above) Col. Mills with his award for 2004 Acquisition Commander of the Year.

(Left) Left to right: At Camp Arifjan in Kuwait, Lt. Col. Thomas E. Mikolinis, senior director, Camp Arifjan UAR Facility Engineer Group, Directorate Public Works; Mr. Thomas Zubel, DCMA warranted contracting officer; and Mr. Wilbur Wolfe, DCMA quality assurance representative.

